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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM : Chairman, National Intelligence Council

SUBJECT : NIC Activity Report, 7-10 September 1982

I. DCI/DDCI-Assigned Tasks

Work is proceeding on an accelerated basis to complete a fast-track SNIE on the Siberian gas pipeline issue for use at the cabinet-level SIG-IEP meeting on 16 September.

II. Other Interagency Papers

NFIB Reps' coordination meetings will be held next week on drafts of the Indonesia and INF SNIEs.

Draft Key Judgments of the IIM on Soviet ballistic missile defenses will be the subject of an NFIB Reps coordination meeting on 13 September, after which the DCI will be consulted about possibly scheduling the paper for an NFIB meeting.

III. Special Interest Items of the Past Week

C/NIC left on 9 September to attend a NATO High-Level meeting in Brussels and a workshop in France on "Improved Technologies in a Changing NATO Strategy," sponsored by the European American Institute for Strategy Research. He returns here on 21 September.

NIO/AF attended several sessions of the Africa Chiefs of Mission conference at State. Apart from the intrinsic values of the sessions on the Horn, Afro-Arab relations and European perceptions of Africa, some ambassadors expressed some criticism of the Intelligence Community for failure to get to them sufficient information on Libya. We have turned

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out a constant stream of material on Libya, but it appears there is some problem in distribution of papers from State to their posts. This will be corrected at the earliest opportunity. An effort was made to meet with all of the ambassadors to the African countries the DCI is visiting, and he will be seeing some of them next week.

NIO/AF and A/NIO/LA had a luncheon meeting [redacted] to discuss economic and political developments in Chile and South Africa, where his firm is considering investments.

NIO-At-Large Linc Gordon left on a trip to several European capitals, where he, DDI/EURA Director [redacted] and NIC/AG officer [redacted] will consult US officials and Europeans on issues relating to the upcoming NIE on strains in the US-European alliance. A/NIO/WE will join them in Paris next week for discussions there.

NIO-At-Large Hans Heymann and NIO/SP visited [redacted] on 9 September to talk with Air Force officers about how they use contractors and consultants to help them understand and assess Soviet technological developments. They had a good session; the Air Force participants were very informative.

NIO/EA discussed the NSDD on Japan with Gaston Sigur at the NSC and Deputy Assistant Secretary Rich Armitage at DoD. He also arranged debriefings of the same two officials regarding the SSCC meeting on [redacted] recently held in Honolulu. Formation of a group of outside consultants to work with the NSC on formation of long range China policy was also the subject of discussion with Sigur and others.

NIO/EA (Narcotics) met with Acting Assistant Administrator DEA and Chief Intelligence Division DEA as well as Admiral Murphy of Vice President Bush's staff to discuss narcotics issues. A visit to marijuana processing areas of Mexico has been arranged for 21-23 September.

NIO/GPF met with LTG Merryman, USA, Army Deputy Chief of Staff for Research, Development and Acquisition, on 8 September to discuss ways of improving the accuracy and timing of intelligence requirements in support of major weapons program decisions. General Merryman is enthusiastic about the effort; more detailed discussions will follow at the staff level.

NIO/GPF attended a briefing for General Vessey, C/JCS, on the findings of the Soviet Ground Forces Readiness IIM on 10 September. General Vessey praised the work and pointed out the impact it will have on Army and Joint wargaming and plans. He requested copies of key charts used for individual discussions he plans with US and foreign officials.

NIO/LA prepared a background paper for the DCI on policy issues on Central America for his meetings with Secretary Shultz, Secretary Weinberger, and Judge Clark.

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NIO/LA and his assistant met with US Ambassador Briggs (to Panama) on 10 September.

NIO/NESA briefed USUN Ambassador Kirkpatrick on various Middle Eastern issues.

NIO/NESA chaired an IC Staff all-source assessment session on Pakistan.

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NIO/SP briefed a DoD-sponsored "Strategic Employment Concepts Working Group" on Soviet strategic forces developments on 7 September. The working group, chaired by [redacted]

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IV. Future Activities

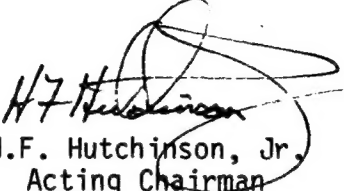
NIO/AF will attend a Defense Intelligence School conference on Africa on 16 and 17 September, at which he expects to discuss Kenya with some academics who have just returned from there. He will also participate in debriefings of numerous US ambassadors home from Africa for a chiefs of mission conference.

NIO/GPF will attend a seminar on the Defense of Central Europe at the Brookings Institution on 14 September, chaired by [redacted] is NIC consultant for Soviet general purpose forces.

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NIO/NESA will host a meeting here next week of the Intelligence Community's senior officers specializing on the NESA area.


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